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**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

**Please amend the paragraph on page 7, line 21 to page 8, line 1 as follows:**

Next, a description will be described of an operation from NUT setting to establishment. FIG. 2 is a diagram showing a sequence from NUT setting to establishment. FIG. 2 shows a part of a BLSR network in which transmission devices are connected in a ring formation via two links. Hereinafter, these transmission devices are referred to as nodes. Each of ~~links~~ links L1 and L2 has the working path group and the protection path group.

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